

DEFENSE SECURITY  
COOPERATION AGENCY,  
WASHINGTON, DC.

CHAIRMAN,  
*Committee on Foreign Relations, U.S. Senate,*  
*Washington, DC.*

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: Pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended, we are forwarding herewith Transmittal No. 23-05 concerning the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to the Government of Kuwait for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$250 million. We will issue a news release to notify the public of this proposed sale upon delivery of this letter to your office.

Sincerely,

JAMES A. HURSCH,  
*Director.*

Enclosures.

TRANSMITTAL NO. 23-05

Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer Pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended

(i) Prospective Purchaser: Government of Kuwait.

(ii) Total Estimated Value:

Major Defense Equipment\* \$0 million.

Other \$250 million.

Total \$250 million.

Funding Source: National Funds

(iii) Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under Consideration for Purchase: The Government of Kuwait has requested to buy planning, integration, implementation, and maintenance of a Medical Information System for their Kuwait Military Medical Command (KMMC) that consists of:

MDE: None.

Non-MDE: Health Information Systems (HIS) Information Technology (IT) hardware and software, IT infrastructure, implementation of life-cycle management practices, training, maintenance, support and warranty services, along with U.S. Government and contractor engineering, technical and logistics support services; and other related elements of logistical and program support.

(iv) Military Department: Army (KU-B-UXY).

(v) Prior Related Cases, if any: None.

(vi) Sales Commission, Fee, etc., Paid, Offered, or Agreed to be Paid: None.

(vii) Sensitivity of Technology Contained in the Defense Article or Defense Services Proposed to be Sold: None.

(viii) Date Report Delivered to Congress: February 14, 2023.

\*As defined in Section 47(6) of the Arms Export Control Act.

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Kuwait—Medical Information System for Kuwait Military Medical Command (KMMC)

The Government of Kuwait has requested to buy planning, integration, implementation, and maintenance of a Medical Information System for its Kuwait Military Medical Command (KMMC) that consists of: Health Information Systems Information Technology (IT) hardware and software, IT infrastructure, implementation of life-cycle management practices, training, maintenance, support and warranty services, along with U.S. Government and contractor engineering, technical and logistics support services; and other related elements of logistical and program support. The estimated total cost is \$250 million.

This proposed sale will support the foreign policy and national security objectives of the United States by helping to improve the infrastructure of a Major Non-NATO ally that has been and continues to be an important force for political stability and economic progress in the Middle East.

This proposed sale will improve Kuwait's capability to provide greater health security for its KMMC infrastructure. Kuwait will use the enhanced capability to strengthen its medical services management. Kuwait will have no difficulty absorbing this infrastructure, support, and associated services into its armed forces.

The proposed sale of this equipment and support will not alter the basic military balance in the region.

The principal contractor will be the Cerner Corporation, Kansas City, Missouri. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require the assignment of as many as fifteen (15) additional U.S. Government or U.S. contractor representatives to Kuwait for a duration of up to seven (7) years to provide systems planning, implementation, management, and oversight.

There will be no adverse impact on U.S. defense readiness as a result of this proposed sale.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

TRIBUTE TO BRIAN D'ISERNIA

• Mr. RUBIO. Mr. President, I recognize Brian D'Isernia as he retires from a distinguished 53-year career as a lawyer, fisherman, sailor, and shipbuilder at Eastern Shipbuilding Group of Panama City, FL.

Brian graduated from Georgetown University with a bachelor's degree in economics and a law degree from Fordham University School of Law. He passed the New York State Bar, practicing for a few years before changing careers and opening his commercial fishing enterprise out of New Bedford, MA.

Operating his commercial fishing business for 8 years, it eventually grew to become a vessel construction shipyard. Constructing fishing boats allowed Brian to design fishing vessels his way. These designs quickly drew the attention of other professionals in the boating industry, and customers soon contacted Eastern Shipbuilding Group from across the Nation.

By the 1980s, Brian's reputation was that his shipyard could fulfill any custom vessel request. Today, Eastern Shipbuilding Group's vessel portfolio consists of more than 350 vessels, with many used by commercial fishermen and the U.S. Coast Guard. His work was recognized in 2017 by receiving the National Maritime Historical Society's Distinguished Service Award.

Brian's work over the decades has made a lasting impact on the boating industry. As he embarks on his new retirement journey, Eastern Shipbuilding remains a family-owned and operated business led by the next generation of his family.

I extend my best wishes to Brian, his wife Miriam, their children, and grandchildren.●

REMEMBERING DANNY KALEIKINI

• Mr. SCHATZ. Mr. President, with the passing of Danny Kaleikini, Hawai'i

has lost a legend. An incredibly talented musician and a wonderfully kind individual, Danny was a living embodiment of the aloha spirit, someone who represented the very best of Hawai'i.

Danny grew up on O'ahu, one of eight kids in a two-bedroom house. He started selling newspapers at 6 years old and found an early passion for music, learning to sing and play the trumpet and drums. After high school, he pursued a career in music—and in 1967, at just 29 years old, landed a twice-a-night show at the Kahala Hilton.

But Danny wasn't content just having a show. A savvy promoter, he would traverse Waikiki during the day, 'ukulele player and hula dancer in tow, promoting that night's performance. And an astute businessman, he oversaw the managing, staging, and producing of it—becoming one of the first musicians to offer VHS tapes of shows.

For nearly 30 years, Danny took the stage 6-to-7 nights a week, performing more than 10,000 times in Honolulu, as well as at Carnegie Hall in New York, Caesars Palace in Las Vegas, and across Japan. He earned a Guinness book of records nomination, and a Lifetime Achievement Award from the Hawai'i Academy of Recording Arts. He even dabbled in acting, appearing in "Hawai'i Five-O" and in the 1970 movie "The Hawaiians," where he arrested Charlton Heston.

But while his talent was undeniable, what set Danny apart was an unparalleled, infectious enthusiasm. Danny learned greetings in dozens of languages and enjoyed connecting with people from across the world. As another Hawai'i legend, comedian Andy Bumatai, once said, "if aliens landed at the Hilton, Danny would greet them in their own language."

Danny lived a life of joy, generosity, and aloha. His voice, warmth, and spirit will be well remembered and greatly missed. My thoughts and deepest sympathies are with his family and all those who loved him.

May he rest in peace and aloha. And may his spirit live on.●

MEASURES PLACED ON THE  
CALENDAR

The following bill was read the second time, and placed on the calendar:

S. 424. A bill to protect the seniors of the United States, and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF  
COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. REED for the Committee on Armed Services.

Air Force nomination of Col. Leigh A. Swanson, to be Brigadier General.

\*Army nomination of Maj. Gen. Sean A. Gainey, to be Lieutenant General.

\*Army nomination of Maj. Gen. Heidi J. Hoyle, to be Lieutenant General.

Army nomination of Brig. Gen. Laurence S. Linton, to be Major General.